REMARKS

SUMMARY OF TELEPHONIC INTERVIEW

In a telephonic interview on April 2, 2009, between the undersigned and Examiner Robertson, a discussion was made regarding amendments of independent claims 1 and 18 that would overcome the § 101 objection. The Examiner suggested that the claims be amended to recite a "computer-implemented method" that comprises "the computer executing the steps" recited in the corresponding claims.

Agreement was reached that such an amendment would overcome the § 101 rejection, and that the Examiner would enter this amendment for purposes of appeal.

A brief discussion was made regarding the § 103 rejection, with the Examiner indicating that this case is ripe for appeal regarding the § 103 issue. The references were not specifically discussed in the interview. No exhibits were discussed. Agreement was not reached regarding the § 103 rejection.

CONCLUSION

Entry of this Amendment is proper since it removes issues from appeal and places the claims in better condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees and/or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-2025 (10004567-1).

Respectfully submitted,

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